CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1-12. (Canceled)

13. (Currently amended) A knob or grip end for a control lever of a motor vehicle, comprising:

a knob body which has a receiving device for the control lever, and

a lining, made of a flexible material, by which the knob body can be fastened on the control lever,

wherein the knob body has a shaft part and a head part,

wherein the lining is formed by an elastically constructed enveloping body at least partially surrounding the shaft part, and

wherein openings are provided in a lateral surface of the shaft part and are penetrated by sections of the enveloping body.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently amended) The knob or grip end according to Claim **[[14]]** 13, wherein the openings extend in axial and circumferential directions of the shaft part.

16. (Currently amended) The knob or grip end according to Claim **[[14]]** 13, wherein the openings are constructed as ~~window-type recesses, and~~ windows,

wherein the sections of the enveloping body ~~engaging~~ engage in the ~~recesses~~ windows, and wherein the sections of the enveloping body form ribs.

17. (Currently amended) The knob or grip end according to Claim **[[14]]** 13, wherein the ~~basic~~ knob body is of a ~~hard~~ plastic material and the enveloping body is of an elastic thermoplastic synthetic material or polyurethane.

18. (Currently amended) The knob or grip end according to Claim **[[14]]** 13, wherein a detent device for axially fixing the knob body on the control lever is provided in the head part of the ~~basic~~ knob body.

19. (Previously presented) The knob or grip end according to Claim 18, wherein the detent device has several snap hooks which engage in recesses provided at the control lever.

20. (Currently amended) ~~The~~ A knob or grip end ~~according to claim 19,~~ for a control lever of a motor vehicle, comprising:

a knob body which has a receiving device for the control lever, and

a lining, made of a flexible material, by which the knob body can be fastened on the control lever,

wherein the knob body has a shaft part and a head part,

wherein the lining is formed by an elastically constructed enveloping body at least partially surrounding the shaft part,

wherein openings are provided in a lateral surface of the shaft part and are penetrated by sections of the enveloping body,

wherein a detent device for axially fixing the knob on the control lever is provided in the head part of the knob body,

wherein the detent device has several snap hooks which engage in recesses provided at the control lever, and

wherein the snap hooks are equipped with ribs on their exterior sides for reinforcement.

21. (Currently amended) The knob or grip end according to Claim **[[14]]** 13, wherein outer ribs extending from the shaft part to the head part of the ~~basic~~ knob body are provided for anchoring the enveloping body.

22. (Previously presented) The knob or grip end according to Claim 16, wherein the control lever is flattened on both sides in the area of the receiving device.

23. (Previously presented) The knob or grip end according to Claim 22, wherein flattened sides of the control lever form contact surfaces for the ribs.

24. (Currently amended) The knob or grip end according to Claim **[[14]]** 13, wherein the enveloping body is ~~produced by spraying out or foaming out of a mold receiving the basic body~~ injected or foamed synthetic material.

25. (Currently amended) The knob or grip end according to Claim 15, wherein the openings are constructed as ~~window-type recesses, and~~ windows, wherein the sections of the enveloping body ~~engaging~~ engage in the recesses, and wherein the sections of the enveloping body form ribs.

26. (Currently amended) The knob or grip end according to Claim 15, wherein the ~~basic~~ knob body is of a ~~hard~~ plastic material and the enveloping body is of an elastic thermoplastic synthetic material or polyurethane.

27. (Currently amended) The knob or grip end according to Claim 16, wherein the ~~basic~~ knob body is of a ~~hard~~ plastic material and the enveloping body is of an elastic thermoplastic synthetic material or polyurethane.

28. (Currently amended) The knob or grip end according to Claim 15, wherein a detent device for axially fixing the knob on the control lever is provided in the head part of the ~~basic~~ knob body.

29. (Previously presented) The knob or grip end according to Claim 28, wherein the detent device has several snap hooks which engage in recesses provided at the control lever.

30. (Currently amended) ~~The~~ A knob or grip end ~~according to Claim 29,~~ for a control lever of a motor vehicle, comprising:

a knob body which has a receiving device for the control lever, and

a lining, made of a flexible material, by which the knob body can be fastened on the control lever;

wherein the knob body has a shaft part and a head part,

wherein the lining is formed by an elastically constructed enveloping body at least partially surrounding the shaft part,

wherein openings are provided in a lateral surface of the shaft part and are penetrated by sections of the enveloping body,

wherein the openings extend in axial and circumferential directions of the shaft part,

wherein a detent device for axially fixing the knob on the control lever is provided in the head part of the knob body.

wherein the detent device has several snap hooks which engage in recesses provided at the control lever, and

wherein the snap hooks are equipped with ribs on their exterior sides for reinforcement.

31. (Previously presented) The knob or grip end according to Claim 15, wherein outer ribs extending from the shaft part to the head part of the basic body are provided for anchoring the enveloping body.

32. (Currently amended) The knob or grip end according to Claim 15, wherein the enveloping body is ~~produced by spraying out or foaming out of a mold receiving the basic body~~ injected of foamed synthetic material.